

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, December 4, 2014.

Met according adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Pledge of
allegiance.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Message from the Governor.

Chilmark,—
election.

A message from His Excellency the Governor (under the provisions of section 8 of Article LXXXIX of the Amendments to the Constitution) recommending legislation relative to validating the state election held on November 4, 2014 in the town of Chilmark (House, No. 4543), was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, December 3.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on Election Laws. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Guests of the House.

St. Joseph
School in
Needham.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Donato of Medford), declared a brief recess and introduced, seated in the House Chamber, a group of third and fourth grade students from St. Joseph Elementary School in Needham. They were the guests of Representatives Garlick of Needham and Kafka of Stoughton.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Ross J.
Liebert.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Dooley of Norfolk) congratulating Ross J. Liebert on receiving the Eagle Award from the Boy Scouts of America;

Kyle
Bourke.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Kyle Bourke on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Alexander
Caulfield.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Alexander Assahina Caulfield on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Theodore
Morin IV.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Theodore Joseph Morin IV on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Jacob
Nikolajczyk.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Garlick of Needham) congratulating Jacob Leonard Nikolajczyk on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

James F.
Dawson.

Resolutions (filed by Ms. Hogan of Stow) congratulating James F. Dawson on his retirement after thirty-two years as a lieutenant with the Maynard Police Department;

Chanukah.

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Smizik of Brookline and other members of the House) commemorating the celebration of Chanukah 2014; and

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Speliotis of Danvers and Cole of Peabody) honoring Cadet Ben Jutras for his voluntary lifesaving act; Ben Jutras.

Ms. Hogan, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Straus of Mattapoissett, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Communication.

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From the former Commission on Higher Education Quality, Efficiencies and Finance (see Section 165 of Chapter 38 of 2013) recommending improved efficiencies of operation in public higher education that could lead to cost savings and improvements to fiscal controls, planning and cost allocation; and Higher education,—quality, etc.

From the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (see Section 70 of Chapter 23K of the General Laws) submitting its third annual report for fiscal year 2014; Gaming Commission.

Severally were placed on file.

Monthly Report.

A report of the Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development (under Section 14F of Chapter 151A of the General Laws) relative to the condition of the Commonwealth's Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund for November, 2014, was placed on file. Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund,—November, 2014.

Petition.

Mr. Wagner of Chicopee presented a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 4542) of Joseph F. Wagner and James T. Welch (with the approval of the mayor and city council) relative to the powers and duties of the board of health in the city of Chicopee; and the same was referred to the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Chicopee,—board of health.

Paper from the Senate.

A Bill authorizing certain pharmacy interns to administer immunizations (Senate, No. 2127) (on Senate bill No. 995), passed to be engrossed by the Senate, was read; and it was referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Pharmacy interns,—immunizations.

Reports of Committees.

By Ms. Hogan of Stow, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, that Joint Rule 12 be suspended on the petition of Alan Silvia and Michael J. Rodrigues for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jay Viveiros, an employee of the Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence. Jay Viveiros,—sick leave.

Janet
Frame,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Michlewitz of Boston, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Janet Frame, an employee of the Department of Developmental Services (House, No. 4539).

Derik
DiRico,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Derik DiRico, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (House, No. 4540).

Matt
McConville,—
sick leave.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a joint petition, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Matt McConville, an employee of the Department of Revenue (House, No. 4541).

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 7A, to the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling. Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for said committee, then reported that the matters be scheduled for consideration by the House.

Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

By Mr. Kafka of Stoughton, for the committee on Steering, Policy and Scheduling, that the following bills be scheduled for consideration by the House:

Emily
Coollick-
Burgess,—
sick leave.

The Senate Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Emily Coollick-Burgess, an employee of the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (Senate, No. 2373); and

House bills

Chicopee,—
charter.

Authorizing the city of Chicopee to amend its city charter (House, No. 4528) [Local Approval Received];

Boston,—
event fund.

Establishing a special events fund in the city of Boston (House, No. 4530) [Local Approval Received];

Milford.

Relative to the Milford Water Company (House, No. 4531); and

Provincetown,—
tax bills.

Authorizing the town of Provincetown to provide an affordable housing donation check-off box on town of Provincetown tax bills (House, No. 4534) [Local Approval Received];

Under suspension of Rule 7A, in each instance, on motion of the same member, the bills severally were read a second time forthwith; and they were ordered to a third reading.

Engrossed Bills.

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enacted.

Relative to the position of Clerk Treasurer of the town of Wareham (see Senate, No. 2367) (which originated in the Senate); and

Amending the charter of the town of Bourne (see House, No. 4538) (which originated in House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Recess.

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At twenty-two minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed subject to the call of the Chair; and at five minutes after one o'clock P.M. the House was called to order with Mr. Donato in the Chair.

Orders of the Day.

The Senate amendments of the House Bill providing the terms of certain bonds financing the expansion of the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center (House, No. 4444), were considered.

Boston
Convention and
Exhibition
Center.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the House non-concur with the Senate in its amendments; and the report was accepted.

The House then non-concurred with the Senate in its amendments. Sent to the Senate for its action.

Senate bills

Relative to hazardous materials response (Senate, No. 2105); and

Authorizing the town of Wareham to grant 4 additional licenses for the sale of all alcoholic beverages to be drunk on the premises (Senate, No. 2370);

Third
reading
bills.

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bills

Relative to risk management services (House, No. 3540);

Authorizing the establishment of old growth forest reserves (House, No. 4325);

Id.

Validating the actions taken at a certain state election in the town of Mattapoisett (printed in House, No. 4511) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading);

Authorizing the town of Wakefield to designate a check-off box on its tax bills for the Wakefield Veterans Relief Fund (House, No. 4512);

Authorizing the town of Wakefield to designate a check-off box on its tax bills for the Wakefield Veterans Memorial and Patriotic Celebration Fund (House, No. 4513) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading); and

Establishing a sick leave bank for Stephanie Shanen, an employee of the Department of Children and Families (House, No. 4537);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill relative to the sale of distilled spirits at auction (House, No. 4144), was read a third time.

Third reading
bill amended.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the bill be amended by substitution of a bill with the same title (House, No. 4544); and the report was accepted.

The amendment was adopted; and the substituted bill was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The House Bill establishing a task force to protect Massachusetts children against child sexual abuse (House, No. 4305) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Child sexual
abuse,—
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Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mr. Jones of North Reading moved to amend it in line 4 by inserting after the word “disabilities;” the words “the House minority leader, or a designee; the Senate minority leader, or a designee;”.

The amendment was adopted; and the bill (House, No. 4305, amended) was passed to be engrossed. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—

Next
sitting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o’clock A.M.

At twelve minutes after one o’clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Frost of Auburn (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following Monday at eleven o’clock A.M., in an Informal Session.